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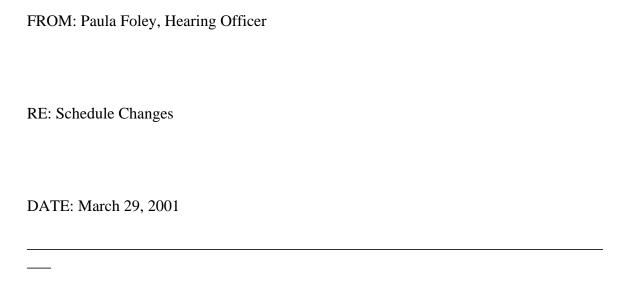
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MEMORANDUM

TO: D.T.E. 01-31 Interested Persons



On February 27, 2001, the Department issued its <u>Vote and Order to Open Investigation</u>, D.T.E. 01-31 (2001), directing Verizon to file with the Department, by

March 29, 2001, a proposed retail price plan for its Massachusetts intrastate operations. On March 26, 2001, Verizon filed a Motion for Extension of Time, requesting that the Department grant Verizon's request for a two-week extension (until April 12, 2001) to make its filing. On March 29, 2001, the Department granted Verizon's request for a two-week extension.

This change necessitates the rescheduling of certain other dates previously set in this proceeding. Please note that the procedural conference previously scheduled for April 6, 2001 is rescheduled for May 4, 2001, following the rescheduled public hearing on that date. In addition, please see the attached Notice of Rescheduled Public Hearings revising the public hearing schedule previously noticed. Finally, please note that the deadline for intervention petitions has <u>not</u> changed - petitions to intervene in this proceeding are due April 17, 2001 by 5:00 p.m.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (617) 305-3608. Thank you.